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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

A. SHENNIB ET AL.

Group Art Unit 2643

Serial No. 09/475,923

Examiner: P. L. Dabney

Filed: December 30, 1999

Title: DIRECT TYMPANIC DRIVE VIA A FLOATING FILAMENT ASSEMBLY

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR RCE**Commissioner for Patents  
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This is an Amendment accompanying a Request for Continued Examination, together with the fees for the RCE, for a petition for a 3-month extension of time, and for a terminal disclaimer. The appeal filed on 05/10/2003 is hereby withdrawn, and this application is amended as indicated on the following sheets. With the requested extension of time, this paper and the accompanying Request are timely filed.